

STATEMENT OF MR. O. V. CAMPBELL

I talked with Mr. Campbell this date, February 17, 1968, at 6:00 pm.
The following is a statement he gave me.

My name is O. V. Campbell, 7120 Twin Tree Lane, TAH 5527. I am the
Vice-president of the Texas School Book Depository, 111 Elm Street.

On November 22 1963, I arrived at work between 8:30 and 9:00 am. My
office is on the second floor, Room 200. I did my usual work until noon.
I had forgotten about the parade. I started to lunch with Mr. Truly. When
we got downstairs Mr. Truly asked if I wanted to wait and see the parade. We
waited on the front steps until the parade turned off Main Street on to Houston
Street. We then walked across Elm Street and stood on the curb near the
parade as it turned from Houston Street down under the underpass. I heard
the shots, it sounded like they came from the knoll near the railroad tracks.
I thought it was fire crackers. A uniform officer came up and at the same
time a construction worker with a helmet on came across the street and said
he had seen a rifle barrel in the sixth floor window. I walked back in the
building. Mr. Truly and the officer had already gone in and up the stairs.
I waited until they came back down to see if they found anything. The em-
ployees were standing around. When Mr. Truly came down he said one of the
employees was missing, a man named Oswald. I did not know Oswald. I told
Mr. Truly to tell the officers about him and what he looked like.

I went back to my office and an FBI agent came in and introduced himself.
I don't remember his name. He asked that I have all the employees vacate
the building. This I did, telling them to take the rest of the day off.

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I remained in the office until about 2:30 or 3:00 pm. Then I left.
The officers were still searching the building when I left.
This concludes Mr. Campbell's statement to me.

J. R. Leavelle